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SUBJECT: SWISS ACTION ON RHODESIA SANCTIONS

1. THE U.S. PRESS OF DECEMBER 13 CARRIES REPORT THAT
SWISS GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED PREVIOUS DAY NEW MEASURES
DESIGNED TO PREVENT VIOLATION OF UNITED NATIONS SANCTIONS
AGAINST RHODESIA BY SWISS NATIONALS AND BY FOREIGN FIRMS
OPERATING IN SWITZERLAND. REPORTS IN NEW YORK TIMES
AND WASHINGTON POST ARE SOMEWHAT CONTRADICTORY ON
EXACT NATURE OF SWISS ACTION.

2. DEPARTMENT ASSUMES THAT SWISS ACTION TAKEN IN
RESPONSE TO CONTINUING CRITICISM BY THE AFRICAN UN
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DELEGATIONS OF SWISS INACTION ON SANCTIONS. FOR
INSTANCE, WORKING PAPER CIRCULATED BY BENINESE DELEGATION
IN RHODESIA SANCTIONS COMMITTEE CITES SWITZERLAND AS ONE
OF COUNTRIES AGAINST WHICH SOME ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE
IN CLARIFYING NATURE OF SWISS ACTION. YOU MAY ADVISE

SWISS OFFICIALS THAT WE WELCOME ANY MOVE BY SWITZERLAND
TO IMPROVE ITS ENFORCEMENT OF RHODESIA SANCTIONS. IN

ADDITION, SINCE WASHINGTON POST STORY MAINTAINS THAT
SWISS SUBSIDIARIES OF FOREIGN COMPANIES ARE MAJOR
TARGET OF NEW DECREE, EMBASSY SHOULD ASK SWISS WHETHER
THEY HAVE ANY EVIDENCE THAT SWISS SUBSIDIARIES OF U.S.
FIRMS HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN VIOLATIONS OF RHODESIA
SANCTIONS.

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